

COAST LINE FINANCES

Recent Sale of Consolidation

Fours Provides Reduction Interest and Improvements.

STEEL AND CONCRETE WORK

Trestles Over Pee Dee, Santee And Savannah Rivers to be Rebuilt.

Interest Charges Reduced

\$119,000 Per Annum.

Wilmington Star.

It was announced from the executive offices of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company in this city yesterday that from the proceeds of the recent sale of the road's 4 per cent. consolidated bonds in New York, the company has provided for the retirement of short term loans and underlying indebtedness, reducing interest charges \$119,000 per year and providing the funds for at once replacing five and a quarter miles of wooden trestle with concrete piers and steel girders.

The recent sale of the four per cent. consolidated bonds, including four and a half million to Redmond & Co., and Moffat & White, of New York, provides for the cancellation of all the company's short term 5 per cent. notes, issued in March, 1907, for five million dollars and due March 1, 1910, these to be taken up at or before maturity; also provision for all the cash which will be required to retire on Jan. 1, 1910, one million six hundred thousand and underlying 9 per cent. bonds, and also the fund required to pay for replacing the wooden trestle work with concrete and steel construction. The underlying bonds to be retired are those issued in February, 1880, and known as the old W. C. & A. bonds, which bear 6 per cent. interest.

It is officially announced that by this negotiation interest charges will be reduced \$119,000 per annum when these 5 per cent. notes and 6 per cent. bonds have been retired.

From the layman's point of view the most interesting part of the announcement is in regard to the construction work, which means that contracts are already let and being let for the immediate rebuilding of the Pee Dee river trestle at Pee Dee, S. C., the Santee river trestle, over the Santee river, between Lanes and Charleston, S. C., and over the Savannah river between Hardeeville, S. C., and Savannah, Ga. It is understood that much of the material for this modern construction has already been assembled, and that work will begin at once. It was these trestles that gave much trouble in the operation of the road during the unprecedented floods of last August and the work now is to be of the most up-to-date and costly character, providing not only for the contingencies and emergencies of the present, but for the future. When these improvements are in, the Coast Line will compare more than favorably in this respect with any system in the South.

The executive management of the Atlantic Coast has always been a source of pride to Wilmington people, where much of the stock is owned and where an abiding faith in the property has always been manifest, a faith which has been more than justified in the light of recent developments. The 5 per cent. short term notes were issued in 1907, when the financial skies were not so clear as now, and the bonds to be retired are a part of an old issue for the W. C. & A. Road, which have been bearing 6 per cent. interest for many years. The new consolidated bonds bear only 4 per cent., hence the great saving of interest charges.

[We are informed that the substitution of the concrete and steel viaducts for the old wooden trestles, aggregating a distance of five and one-quarter miles, will involve an expenditure of one million dollars.—Ed. Argus.]

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NORTH CAROLINA BRINGS SUIT AGAINST TENNESSEE

Controversy Over Boundary Line to Be Settled by United States Supreme Court.

North Carolina has brought suit against Tennessee, the case being in the Supreme Court of the United States, the matter a contest as to the correct boundary line, involving state control over property about fifteen miles long and three to four miles wide, valued at several millions of dollars.

The land in question is on the boundary line between Cherokee and Graham counties in North Carolina, which border on Tennessee. The contested line is along the Tennessee river in the Urekar mountain section and it is to get a settlement of the correct boundary line that Attorney-General Bickett, directed by Governor Kitchin, has brought suit in the name of North Carolina in the United States Supreme Court against Tennessee, the suit a friendly one to determine the line.

The boundary line has been in dispute for years, and there has been more or less trouble in the collection of taxes and because of litigation from conflicting land grants, these being granted by both Tennessee and North Carolina to lands each claimed. Because of these conflicting claims counties and individuals are interested. In the past ten years the lands have increased in value, and there are large interests involved.

Governor Kitchin has secured former Attorney-General Theo. F. Davidson, of Asheville, to act with the Attorney-General, as Mr. Davidson has clients in the section in dispute, and is well acquainted with all the facts which pertain to the case.

The Telephone and the Country Commission

We have advanced far along that road whose chief milestones are furnished by the practical magic of science, when a governmental board finds it expedient to issue an urgent recommendation of the telephone. That is what the commission on country life recently, when in its report to the President it three times stressed the rural isolation, and the development of the universal values in the country. The phone is classed with rural free delivery as a "corrective force" as follows:

"This awakening is greatly aided by the rural free delivery of mails, telephones, the gradual improvement of highways, farmers' institutes, co-operative creameries, and similar organizations and other agencies."

Speaking of co-operation, the report declares that "it may have for its object the securing of telephone service (which is already contributing much to country life, and is capable of contributing much more), the extension of electric lines, the improvement of highways and other forms of betterment."

Good roads, rural free delivery and the telephone. These three form an aggressive and unrivaled three-cornered partnership in doing away with those features that handicap country life as compared to life in the city. Their largest efficacy is reached in raising the worth of lands and properties, adding days to crowded lives and giving ease to the hardest-worked people in civilization.

All this as concerns the telephone, at an annual cost, to the individual, of less than one bale of cotton.—Atlanta Constitution.

CHLOROFORM CRIMINALS.

Any Other Death Punishment Is Barbarous Says Gen. Evans.

Atlanta, Ga., March 11.—General Clement A. Evans, commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans and chairman of the Prison Commission of Georgia, advocates chloroforming criminals who have received the death sentence.

"I believe the law has no right to do more than take a man's life," said General Evans. "No living man should witness it. The death cell should be air tight, and the man who is to die should inhale the very breath of death itself and should die painlessly and alone. Any other death punishment is nothing short of barbarous. Even this is bad enough."

General Evans had already qualified this statement by declaring himself opposed to capital punishment for any crime save that of attack upon women.

CRUMPACKER'S PLAN.

Would Fix Inauguration Day Early in December.

Washington, D. C., March 11.—The presidential election early in October and the inaugural ceremonies early in December, when the weather usually is good is the proposal that Representative Crumpacker, of Indiana, will make on March 4.

Mr. Crumpacker believes that it is desirable to have an administration begin as soon after an election as possible, in order that there may be a quick response to an expression of the public on the policies of government. On the day of inauguration Mr. Crumpacker would have a regular session of a new Congress begin.

Died at Age of 102.

Des Moines, Ia., March 11.—Mrs. Ruth McPherson died today at the advanced age of 102 years. She was the oldest person in Iowa and was born in Grayson county, Va., August 22, 1807.

NEWS IN GENERAL.

Carefully Cleaned and Bowed Down For Busy Readers.

Greensboro, N. C., March 11.—A fire with fatal result occurred this morning at 2:30 o'clock, when Biggs' Hygienic Sanitarium, 408 West Market street, was totally destroyed and Frank Greene, an aged patient, whose home was at Goldston, Chatham county, perished in the flames.

Durham, N. C., March 11.—Rev. J. J. Lansdell, the veteran minister of the Baptist denomination, who has been very ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. T. J. Riggsbee, Mangum street, continues very close to death and his condition is now extremely critical. He has grown weaker within the last twenty-four hours.

Greenville, N. C., March 11.—During a hard rain and wind storm here before day this morning, a house occupied by negroes was blown off its foundation and let down to the ground. Though the building took a fall of two feet, neither the man nor his wife were awakened, and knew nothing of the storm until they got up after daylight.

Wadesboro, N. C., March 11.—A telephone message from Peachland, twelve miles west of Wadesboro, gives news of a peculiar shooting this morning.

Two men, Cleveland Previt and Farley Moore, were on a wagon on their way to Peachland, and while passing the house where Hugh Horne lives, heard a pistol shot and saw Horne standing at a window with a pistol in his hand. Moore fell from the wagon shot. He was carried hastily to Peachland, where physicians could not find the ball, which entered the left side, under the arm.

FIRE AT YOUNGSHVILLE.

Seaboard Passenger Station and Telegraph Office Consumed.

Youngsville, N. C., March 11.—The Seaboard Air Line passenger station at Youngsville, consisting of telegraph office and two waiting rooms, was completely destroyed by fire early this morning. It is thought the building was set afire by sparks from the early morning trains. The telegraph wires in one side of the road are also said to be burned, but by ten o'clock the damage had been repaired. The train service was not interfered with.

A CONTEST IN CORN.

Commissioner of Agriculture Graham Attends the Event at Hertford.

Major W. A. Graham, Commissioner of Agriculture, has returned from a visit to Eastern North Carolina, where he attended a corn judging demonstration and also visited fisheries of the State.

At Hertford he attended the corn-judging demonstration where over a thousand people were present, two hundred entries of a half-bushel of corn each being examined. Major Graham spoke, as did also Messrs. Kyle, Campbell and Hudson, of the United States Department of Agriculture; Mr. Wallace, of the Norfolk and Southern Railway Company; Dr. D. H. Hill, of the A. & M. College; Mr. Wright, of the United States Drainage Commission, and Hon. F. W. Blount, of Beaufort.

Needed His Money.

It is well known that Elias Howe, the inventor of the sewing machine, not only enlisted as a common soldier in the ranks of the Seventeenth Connecticut Regiment, carried a sword and did full military duty during the war, but at a certain juncture, when national finances were at a low ebb, he paid soldiers out of his own pocket. Relative to this incident, P. T. Barnum used to tell this story: "While Mr. Howe was counting out the money referred to a stranger, who was a clergyman, entered the tent and said he had heard of Mr. Howe's liberality and had called to ask him to contribute toward building a church for his congregation. 'Church, church,' said Mr. Howe without looking up from the bills he was counting; 'building churches in war times, when so much is needed to save our country! What church is it?' 'St. Peter's Church,' replied the clergyman. 'Oh, St. Peter's,' said Mr. Howe; 'well, St. Peter was the only fighting apostle—he cut a man's ear off. I'll go \$500 on St. Peter, but I am spending most of my money on salt-peter now.'—Washington Star.

JOHN C. LUMSDEN RECEIVED EIGHTEEN-YEAR SENTENCE

Was Convicted of Manslaughter in First Degree—Ex-Gov. Aycock Counsel for Defense.

New York, March 12.—John C. Lumsden, the young inventor of Raleigh, N. C., who killed Harry B. Suddam, a curb broker, last December, and who was convicted of manslaughter in the first degree, was sentenced today by Judge Malone to not less than eighteen years or not more than nineteen years six months in Sing Sing prison. There will be no appeal.

An enterprising man advertises a way to live forever. Most lovers of longevity would ask no more than to be permitted to live until Bryan is elected President of the United States.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Items of Interest in and Around the City.

Mr. H. H. Hobbs, the plumber, who will open a new plumbing establishment in this city, returned this morning from a stock-purchasing trip North.

As the rails of the street car line grow and grow daily, the refrain of the knockers becomes more and more indistinct. We go forward.

Our new baseball playing manager, Roy Miller, who is one of the finest, is heading this way, and it will not be long before "Play ball" will be the slogan.

Greek M. Mask, the young son of Mr. George M. Mask, has proven his ability as a genius by the cleverly built swing made by this young man, which is being displayed in the window of Lane's drug store.

The street car line is nearing the railroad crossing on East and West Centre street. It will be completed along the entire length of Walnut street from the depot to John street next week. We go forward.

Many friends in this city of Mrs. D. M. Prince, of Scotland Neck, will be interested to know that she is an operative patient in Sarah Lee hospital in Norfolk, and we all wish for her a speedy and safe recovery.

Senator Barham is at home again, the Legislature having adjourned, and we are all glad to see him regularly among us again. As Senator he served our people with entire satisfaction and proved himself a man of sound thought and liberal view.

Our sister town of Faison, for the first time in its history—running back to before the war—had a fire Saturday night, which destroyed its leading livery stable and in which six horses were burned. Just how the fire originated is a mystery.

Be an optimist if you live in Goldsboro. There is more to sustain optimism in Goldsboro than in any town in the State. It is The Best Town in the State. This cannot be successfully denied. Why should not all the citizens, therefore, of The Best Town in the State be optimists?

The work of terracing and coping Walnut street, and George street around the handsome home of Mr. F. K. Borden, that were recently graded for the approach of the street car line to the new depot, has begun, and when completed it will be the most impressively beautiful home and grounds in the city.

Mr. Charles E. Hosea, of Pikeville, an expert jeweler, and a young country man who is extremely popular with all his friends, has taken a position in the old and reliable jewelry store of Messrs. L. D. Giddens & Son, in this city, and has entered upon his duties. The Argus assures him of a cordial welcome to Goldsboro.

Mr. H. H. Hobbs left today for the North, where he goes to select and purchase a complete stock of bath tubs, toilet outfits and plumbing specialties, and on his return will open an up-to-date plumbing establishment here. Mr. Hobbs has been actively engaged in this line of business for years, and is thoroughly conversant with every detail and acquainted with the trade and its needs. Therefore, there is every reason why he should be extended a liberal patronage.

Mr. John M. Robinson came down from Chapel Hill Saturday night, where he is taking the University Law course, to spend Sunday with his father, Judge Robinson, and his brother "W. S. O'R., Jr.," who left today to cast his lot with Charlotte in the practice of his profession as a lawyer, taking with him the sincere regrets of his army of friends here and their abiding good wishes for his happiness and success, which they are sure he will realize, for in education, in law training, in ability and personality he is rarely endowed and will achieve the best possible results wherever his services are enlisted.

Mrs. Dr. M. E. Robinson, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. W. R. Crawford, who came down from Raleigh Sunday and joined her here, left Sunday night over the A. C. L. for Cincinnati, in response to a telegram from their sister, Mrs. Edw. Mack, yesterday, that little Miss Mary Green Mack, so greatly beloved here, had been operated on for appendicitis yesterday morning. The telegram stated that the operation was satisfactory and the little patient doing nicely; but Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Crawford desired to be with their sister, Mrs. Mack, during the ordeal of reaction and suspense. All our people hope that "Mary Green" may soon be all right again.

LUMSDEN GUILTY.

North Carolinian Gets First Degree Verdict.

New York March 10.—The jury in the case of John C. Lumsden, on trial in the Supreme Court here, charged with the murder of Harry Suddam, a curb broker, in the latter's office, last December, tonight brought in a verdict of manslaughter in the first degree.

Wireless telephones have not been found successful. It is hard enough to get your number on the orthodox phone, and on the wireless it would be simply talking in the air.

NEW ORPHANAGE FOR METHODISTS

Contract Awarded For \$100,000 Buildings at Winston-Salem.

LOCAL MEMBERS SUBSCRIBE

Methodists Throughout State Interested—Work to be Started at Once on Administration Building.

The well-known firm of Hook & Rogers, architects, secured the contract for the plans and specifications for the new Methodist orphanage which will be erected in the immediate future at Winston-Salem. The Winston Sentinel, speaking of the awarding of the contract and the institution, has the following to say, which will be of decided interest to the Methodists of this city:

"Hook & Rogers, of Charlotte, will draw the plans for the Methodist Children's Home or Orphanage, to be erected near the Davis school property. This well-known architectural firm was chosen over two other competitors by the board of trustees, though the vote was a close one, being five to six. Mr. C. W. Northrup, of this city, was the second choice and his pencil sketch submitted was highly complimented, even by those who voted for the Charlotte men."

"Rev. J. P. Rodgers, field agent, has raised over \$9,000 since he began his canvass in December. About \$100,000 will be needed to complete the buildings and make such improvements on the grounds as outlined. Mr. Rodgers secured about \$3,000 in subscriptions while in Charlotte last week. He expects to double this amount during his next visit to that city."

"Dr. Detwiler, of Charlotte, will continue as superintendent until a man is needed to devote his entire time to the work. There is a sentiment in favor of Dr. Detwiler retaining this important position."

"The trustees, at their meeting, discussed at length the policy upon which the institution is to be conducted, and the plan as outlined contemplates the combination of what is known as the boarding and placing out systems. The age limit for the admission of children was fixed so as to include infants. This latter is a new departure in the orphanage work of the State, as most institutions do not now receive children under five years of age."

Work will be started at once on the administration building, which will be erected at a cost of \$25,000. Many citizens of Goldsboro have subscribed to the building fund of this new orphanage.

LEGGETT PROPERTY BROUGHT \$9,105 AT PUBLIC SALE

Mr. Charles Dewey Bought Homestead. Many Attended Sale at Court House Today.

From Wednesday's Daily. A large crowd attended the sale of the Leggett property, which was sold at public auction at the Court House in this city at noon today, by Commissioner I. F. Dortch.

The property included 225 acres, which brought \$9,105, divided as follows:

Lot No. 1, on Ash street in Goldsboro, to J. R. Ward, \$2,000.
Lot No. 2, one-half acre, W. S. O'B. Robinson, \$100.
Lot No. 3, 14 4-10 acres, Dr. W. E. Powell, \$2,000.
Lot No. 4, 63 acres, J. R. Ward, \$850.
Lot No. 5, 34 acres, W. J. Rouse, \$325.
Lot No. 6, 69 acres, John R. Smith, \$625.
Lot No. 7, 10 acres, C. D. Taylor, \$400.
Lot No. 8, 10 acres, Dr. W. E. Powell, \$550.
Lot No. 9, 10 acres, J. D. Poplin, \$700.
Lot No. 10, 15 acres and house, Leggett homestead, Charles Dewey, \$1,555.

Gov. Aycock Made Masterly Plea for Lumsden.

The following extract from the account of the last day's proceedings of the Lumsden trial is taken from the New York World of Thursday: "Charles B. Aycock, ex-governor of North Carolina, began summing up for the defense at 12 o'clock and spoke for one hour and thirty minutes. Because of his reputation for eloquence the court room was crowded. He told the story of his client's life and reviewed the evidence with a clearness that compelled admiration."

"Confronting the jurors with hands in the pockets of baggy trousers, Mr. Aycock won them with his first sentence."

"I quite agree with the district attorney," said he, "that this case shall be tried on its merits. I will attempt no appeal to feeling, passion or emotion, but to reason alone."

When a man declares he says exactly what he thinks it's frequently what he heard somebody else say.

A LIVE NEWS BUDGET FROM MOUNT OLIVE

Merchants' Association Formed Last Week—Prof. Z. D. McWhorter 47 Years Old.

The past week has been a most live one in our neighboring town, Mount Olive. One of the most important events was the organization of a Merchants' Association.

At the solicitation of Mr. E. E. Andrews, of Asheville, state organizer for the North Carolina Merchants' Association, the retail merchants of Mt. Olive formed an association. The organization was perfected by the election of the following officers:

President—Fred R. Mintz, editor of The Tribune.
Vice-President—W. F. Martin.
Secretary—D. K. Kornegay.

Prof. McWhorter Celebrates Birthday.

Prof. Z. D. McWhorter, superintendent of the Mount Olive graded schools, celebrated his forty-seventh birthday Tuesday, March 9, and in honor of this event Mr. and Mrs. McWhorter entertained the members of the faculty of the graded schools, and several other friends.

The guests were: Misses Clintonia Cartwright, Lena Markham, Frank English, Liles Jackson, Clara Littman, Adeline Rountree and Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Mintz.

Death of Mrs. McPhail.

Mrs. Ellen McPhail mother of Messrs. J. R. and M. McPhail of Mount Olive, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. B. Culbreth, in Sampson county, Thursday morning, March 4, aged 80 years.

Surviving are thirteen children and numerous grandchildren. Funeral services were held Friday, March 5.

Presents Oranges to Students.

As has been the custom of Prof. Z. D. McWhorter upon the adjournment of school Tuesday he presented each of the 250 students of the graded school of Mount Olive with an orange.

WOODLAND CRUMBS.

Our farmers are busy now preparing for planting.

Remember, the Myrtle Springs are still flowing with good, pure cold water. Come one, come all.

Miss Mariah Bristow, one of the teachers in Falling Creek High School, attended church at Woodland on Sunday, where her many friends were glad to meet her. She is a former teacher at this place.

Mr. Charles Reeves, of Mt. Olive, has moved to Mr. W. McCown's home near the river bridge, and is putting in a small farm. We are glad to have Mr. Reeves in our community. Our school at Woodland closes March 17, with closing exercises at night.

Mr. Louis Godwin, our efficient county surveyor, who was married to Mrs. Bryant at Mt. Olive on Wednesday last, attended church at Woodland Sunday, where the bride and groom received hearty congratulations and good wishes. We are glad to welcome Mrs. Godwin to our community and wish for them both a large and pleasant life.

D. B. PENNINGTON PARDONED FRIDAY BY GOV. KITCHIN

Was Convicted at August Term Last Year of Retailing Without License.

Among the pardons granted by Governor W. W. Kitchin yesterday was one to D. B. Pennington, of this county, who was convicted of retailing liquor without license at the August term, 1908, of Wayne Superior Court, and sentenced to 18 months on the public roads, and pardon is granted on condition of good behavior. The solicitor and the judge both recommended the pardon, the county commissioners and about 200 other citizens, including many prominent prohibitionists, asked for his pardon on account of the prisoner's condition, and the condition of his family, and say they think his punishment has been sufficient, the prisoner having served on the roads for about six and a half months.

Mr. Pennington received his pardon today and left this afternoon for his home, near Mount Olive.

NEARBY NEWS QUICKLY TOLD.

Ed. Harris, the colored man who shot and killed Lawrence Taylor in a dispute about a glove Wednesday at a lumber camp near Vanceboro, surrendered to the police authorities of New Bern Friday.

Mr. J. M. Spencer, a well-known citizen of New Bern, is dangerously ill at his home as a result of a stroke of paralysis.

Capt. A. H. Huguet, 17 Calvary, U. S. A., and Capt. E. A. Metts, adjutant of the Second Regiment, inspected the Sampson Light Infantry of Clinton last night.

LaGrange, N. C., March 12.—C. S. Wooten returned this week from Washington, D. C., and other Northern points. Mr. Wooten is moving his personal effects to Mount Olive, where he will make his future home.

The Democratic Cabinet Officer Enters Upon Duties.

Washington, D. C., March 12.—Secretary of War Dickinson arrived in the city today and entered his place in the Cabinet. Wright leaves tonight for Memphis, where he resumes the practice of law.

Burying the hatchet with some people means resurrecting the hammer.

I Cannot Praise Peruna Highly Enough for the Good it Has Done Me.



MRS. JOHN HOPP.

Mrs. John Hopp, Webster Ave., Glendale, L. I., N. Y., writes: "I have been suffering for the past ten years with many symptoms incident to my age, also catarrh and indigestion. I was weak and discouraged, had no ambition, could not sleep at night, and lost greatly in weight."

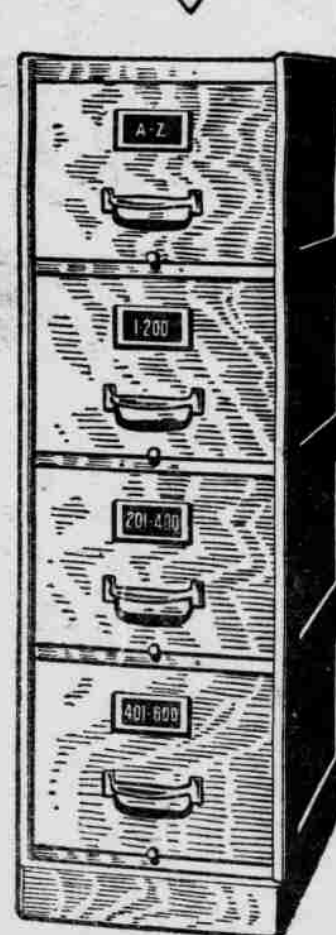
"I tried other remedies, but with no success, until I commenced to take Peruna. I now feel better in every respect, can sleep well, and have gained in weight. I cannot praise Peruna highly enough for the good it has done me."

"If any women are suffering as I did, I would advise them to try Peruna and convince themselves. Peruna has done me good. I know by my experience that it is worth its weight in gold to any one who needs it."

"I also took Manalin, for constipation, in connection with Peruna, and I found it helped me where other laxatives failed."

Now Well of Catarrh. Miss Malissa Jolley, Farmelo, N. C., writes: "I have been taking your Peruna, and can say that I am well of the catarrh."

"I thank you for your kindness and your advice."



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